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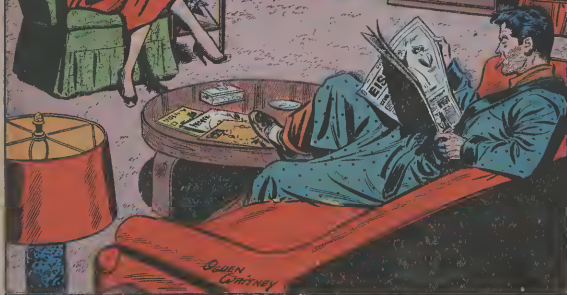
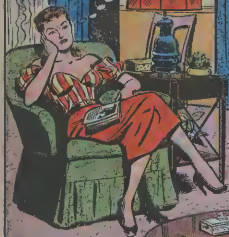
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AFTER FOUR WONDERFULLY HAPPY YEARS OF MARRIED LIFE, JOHN AND I SEEMED SUDDENLY AND UNACCOUNTABLY HEADED FOR THE DIVORCE COURTS! WAS IT BECAUSE WE HAD FORGOTTEN THE PHRASE IN OUR MARRIAGE VOWS...

for BETTER or WORSE

IS IT POSSIBLE?
IS THAT UNSHAVEN
COWARD THE HAND-
SOME, SUCCESSFUL
MAN I MARRIED?



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John phoned last night to say that he would arrive back from his road trip today! This is two weeks earlier than he had planned, but he seemed vague about the reason for this on the phone!



WHERE WOULD YOU LIKE TO EAT? DARLING, I'M COMPLETELY KNOCKED OUT! WHY DON'T WE JUST GO HOME?



NO SHOW, EITHER? NOT TONIGHT, BETH! I'M JUST IN NO MOOD FOR AN EVENING ON THE TOWN!



It had become a ritual with us to eat out and attend a Broadway show upon John's return from the road, but I could see that something was bothering him... something he was reluctant to discuss! So we went straight home!

JOHN...YOU'RE MORE THAN JUST TIRED! SOMETHING'S BOTHERING YOU! CAN'T YOU TELL ME? I'M AFRAID IT'S NOTHING YOU CAN HELP, HONEY!



DARLING, WHAT'S MARRIAGE IF WE CAN'T SHARE THE GOOD AND THE BAD? WELL...IT'S JUST THAT I'VE HAD THE WORST ROAD TRIP EVER! I COULDN'T SELL A THING!



THE BOTTOM JUST SEEMS TO HAVE DROPPED OUT OF THE MARKET! EVERYONE SEEMS TO BE OVERSTOCKED AND AFRAID TO BUY!

AND I THOUGHT IT WAS SOMETHING BAD! WHY, DARLING...I'LL BET YOU'LL SELL ENOUGH RIGHT HERE IN THE CITY TO MAKE UP FOR IT!



John seemed unusually moody and irritable all that week! I, on the other hand, was happily planning a party we owed a group of friends, and one which I hoped would also snap John out of his doldrums! But the night of the party...

BETH...DON'T YOU THINK IT'S ABOUT TIME THESE PEOPLE STARTED GOING HOME?

BUT, JOHN...IT'S ONLY ELEVEN O'CLOCK! THEY PRACTICALLY JUST ARRIVED!



THEY'VE ALL GOT HOMES OF THEIR OWN! WHY MUST WE ALWAYS ENTERTAIN THEM! BESIDES, I'M TIRED AND FEELING GENERALLY SHOT!

BUT, JOHN...! ALL RIGHT! GIVE THEM 'TIL TWELVE! THEN I'LL START HINTIN

It wasn't easy breaking up a party which was just getting started! However, by one o'clock, the last guest had departed! But I couldn't easily forget the embarrassment John had caused me!

EVERYONE'S GONE! AND YOU MADE ME LOOK AND FEEL LIKE A FOOL! I HOPE YOU'RE SATISFIED!

BETH... I'M TOO TIRED TO ARGUE! LET'S GET SOME SLEEP!



TIRED? WHY SHOULD YOU BE TIRED? YOU'VE SPENT MOST OF THE WEEK JUST MOPING AROUND THE HOUSE, WHILE I'VE BEEN RUSHING AROUND PREPARING FOR A PARTY YOU SUCCEEDED IN SPOILING!

THAT REMINDS ME! WE COULD DO WITH FEWER PARTIES! WE CAN'T AFFORD THEM!

SINCE WHEN? BECAUSE YOU'VE HAD A FEW BAD WEEKS! IF YOU'D GET OUT AND DO SOME WORK...

I TOLD YOU! THE BOTTOM'S DROPPED OUT OF OUR MARKET! NO ONE'S BUYING! GETTING OUT HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH IT!

WELL, JOHN... SUPPORTING THIS HOUSEHOLD IS YOUR PROBLEM! I DON'T PLAN TO CHANGE MY ENTIRE WAY OF LIFE BECAUSE YOU SEEM SUDDENLY TO HAVE GIVEN UP!

YOU'VE SAID YOUR PIECE! NOW...IF YOU'LL BE KIND ENOUGH TO DO THE DISHES QUIETLY, I'M GOING TO SLEEP!



Of anything, the next week was worse! John was out every day...and returned each evening, tired and discouraged, with the same story... no sales! But the biggest shock of all came Friday afternoon...

JOHN... WHAT'S HAPPENED?

I QUIT MY JOB! LEFT IT FLAT! I ASKED THEM TO RAISE MY COMMISSION! THEY WOULDN'T... SO I WALKED OUT!

BUT, JOHN... YOU WERE ONE OF THEIR BEST MEN! YOU'VE BEEN WITH THEM FOR SIX YEARS!

A LOT THEY CARE! I'M GLAD TO BE RID OF THEM!

BUT WAS IT WISE JUST LEAVING THEM COLD? YOU'VE MADE A VERY GOOD LIVING WITH THEM ALL THESE YEARS! WHY DIDN'T YOU GIVE IT A LITTLE THOUGHT?

THOUGHT? WHAT WAS THERE TO THINK ABOUT? SELLING THEIR LINE NOW IS LIKE SELLING IGLOOS TO ESKIMOS! IMPOSSIBLE!



But I was not at all convinced that John should have left his job! And the weeks that followed showed me that my doubts were well founded!



ARE YOU STAYING HOME AGAIN TODAY?

WHAT WOULD YOU HAVE, ME DO...STAND ON LINE TO GET WORK AS A DAY LABORER?



SITTING AROUND THE HOUSE, DIRTY AND UNHAIVEN, ISN'T GOING TO GET YOU A JOB... OR PUT FOOD ON OUR TABLE!

WELL, AREN'T WE GETTING SELF-RIGHTEOUS AND DRAMATIC? YOU DON'T LOOK AS IF YOU'RE SUFFERING FROM MALNUTRITION TO ME!



YOU STILL HAVEN'T TOLD ME WHAT YOU'RE DOING TO GET A JOB!

WITH MY EXPERIENCE I CAN'T TAKE JUST ANY JOB! I'VE GOT SEVERAL IMPORTANT APPOINTMENTS COMING UP! THOUGH I'M SURE YOU WOULDN'T CARE IF I WENT TO WORK AS A RAG-PICKER!



THE WAY YOU'RE BEHAVING LATELY, I REALLY DON'T CARE! BUT YOU CAN STEW IN YOUR OWN JUICE! I'VE GOT MY OWN LIFE TO LEAD...AND MY OWN FRIENDS TO KEEP! GOOD-BYE!

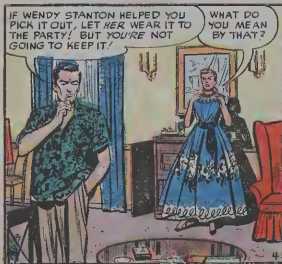
HAVE A ROTTEN TIME!

John's words upon my exit were characteristic of the feeling that had risen between us since his return from the road! And the situation progressively became more unbearable as John's job possibilities continued to fizzle out! Then, one day...



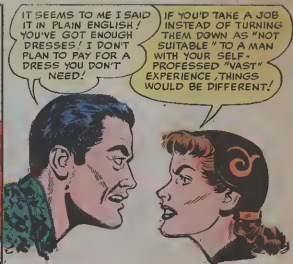
WHAT HAVE YOU GOT THERE?

IT'S A DARLING DRESS WENDY STANTON HELPED ME PICK OUT THIS AFTER-NOON! I'M GOING TO WEAR IT TO THE PARTY TONIGHT.



IF WENDY STANTON HELPED YOU PICK IT OUT, LET HER WEAR IT TO THE PARTY! BUT YOU'RE NOT GOING TO KEEP IT!

WHAT DO YOU MEAN BY THAT?



IT SEEMS TO ME I SAID IT IN PLAIN ENGLISH! YOU'VE GOT ENOUGH DRESSES! I DON'T PLAN TO PAY FOR A DRESS YOU DON'T NEED!

IF YOU'D TAKE A JOB INSTEAD OF TURNING THEM DOWN AS "NOT SUITABLE" TO A MAN WITH YOUR SELF-PROFESSED "VAST" EXPERIENCE, THINGS WOULD BE DIFFERENT!

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But the phone's ringing interrupted the bitter words I was about to shout!

BETH, DARLING, I COULDN'T WAIT TO HEAR! HAVE YOU SPOKEN TO JOHN? ARE YOU GOING TO ORDER THE FUR COAT WE SAW TODAY?

I...I HAVEN'T SPOKEN TO HIM ABOUT IT, WENDY...

WELL, HURRY, DARLING! IF JOHN LETS YOU HAVE IT, FRANK WON'T BE ABLE TO SAY NO WHEN I ASK HIM!

As I slowly replaced the phone on its cradle, a wave of resentment flooded over me! Wendy wanted to know if John would allow me to buy an expensive fur coat... when he wouldn't let me keep even a bargain dress!

WHAT IS IT YOU HAVEN'T SPOKEN TO ME ABOUT?

NOTHING YOU'D CARE TO HEAR ABOUT! BUT I DO HAVE A FEW OTHER THINGS TO SAY! I'M USED TO A CERTAIN WAY OF LIFE...

...A WAY OF LIFE YOU SHOULD BE ACCUSTOMED TO ALSO SINCE WE'VE LED IT TOGETHER! I HAVE A STANDING TO UPHOLD... FRIENDS TO KEEP AND CULTIVATE...

...AND I DON'T PLAN TO ALLOW YOU TO CHANGE IT ENTIRELY BECAUSE YOU'RE TOO LAZY OR TOO COWARDLY TO GO OUT AND WORK!

I'M GLAD TO KNOW WHERE YOU STAND, BETH! AND THAT PARTY TONIGHT... I'M NOT GOING!

And I didn't go, either! The next few weeks saw things go from bad to worse! John still found no work he felt was right...and we sat evening after evening, hardly speaking to one another!

WHAT'S HAPPENED TO US, JOHN? WE HAD FOUR HAPPY YEARS... YEARS IN WHICH WE COULDN'T SEEM TO LOVE ENOUGH! IS IT ALL OVER?

IS FOUR YEARS ALL WE SHOULD HAVE EXPECTED? BUT I WANT MORE! I HOPED FOR A LIFETIME OF LOVE AND HAPPINESS!

AND LOOK AT HIM... SURLY AND BEATEN! NOT CARING WHAT HAPPENS TO US...TO THE LOVE WE ONCE KNEW!

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But a call from Wendy interrupted my bitter, unhappy thoughts!

IT'S ONE OF THOSE PARTIES THAT SEEMS TO HAVE STARTED BY ITSELF! YOU'VE GOT TO COME OVER!

I'D LOVE TO, WENDY... BUT JOHN'S NOT DRESSED... AND I... I'M...

THROW ANYTHING ON! WE'RE ALL INFORMAL! AND THERE ARE SOME PEOPLE HERE YOU'VE SIMPLY GOT TO MEET!

WELL...ALL RIGHT, WENDY! WE'LL BE OVER IN A LITTLE WHILE!

WENDY WANTS US TO COME OVER, JOHN. SHE'S GOT AN INFORMAL PARTY IN PROGRESS!

I WOULDN'T MIND BETH... BUT I'M EXPECTING AN IMPOR- TANT LONG DISTANCE CALL WHICH MIGHT COME IN TONIGHT!

John's lame excuse was more than I could stand! All the pent up bitterness of the last agonizing weeks burst forth in a fury which frightened me...but which I couldn't control!

GOOD! I DIDN'T WANT YOU ALONG ANYWAY! YOU'D ONLY SPOIL THE EVENING FOR ME! SIT HERE! SIT HERE FOR THE REST OF YOUR LIFE FOR ALL I CARE! BUT YOU'LL HAVE TO SIT WITHOUT ME!

Without another word, I hurriedly dressed in one of my prettiest outfits and took a cab to Wendy's! John said nothing.

DARLING, YOU LOOK LOVELY... AND YOU'RE ALONE! HOW PERFECTLY WONDERFUL! I'VE GOT A DIVINE PERSON I WANT YOU TO MEET!

FINE! I'M TIRED OF ALL THE OLD, FAMILIAR FACES!

BETH THIS IS ROGER WILDER, THE FABULOUSLY SUCCESSFUL ARCHITECT I'M SURE I'VE MENTIONED TO YOU!

ALL RIGHT, WENDY! YOU'VE DONE YOUR DUTY! NOW, SCAT! AND PLAY HOSTESS FOR THE REST OF YOUR GUESTS!

SO YOU'RE BETH! I'VE HEARD SO MUCH ABOUT YOU! AND NOW THAT I'VE MET YOU, I'M SORRY THAT I SPEND SO MUCH TIME OUT OF TOWN... AND SO LITTLE AT WENDY'S PARTIES!

I'VE NEVER REALLY KNOWN AN ARCHITECT, MR. WILDER! I'D LIKE TO HEAR ABOUT YOUR WORK!

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Wendy's party, and more particularly, Roger's infectious gaiety—soon made me forget my earlier unhappy scene with John. I was like a plant soaking up the first rain after a long drought! And when Roger offered to see me home, I accepted happily!



My feeble protest did nothing to stop Roger. Then, as his lips clung hungrily to mine, I was startled to realize that I was responding to his kisses with an eagerness which left me breathless! Finally, I pushed him away!

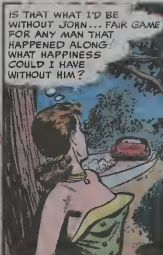


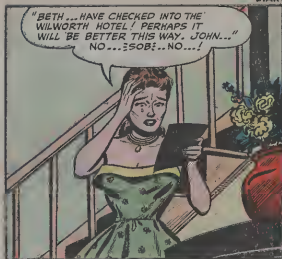
Then he leaned toward me again! But the look in his eyes wasn't love! It was the look of a cat as it is about to pounce upon a helpless mouse!



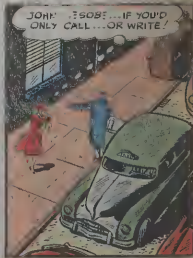
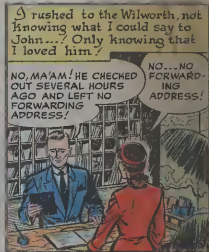
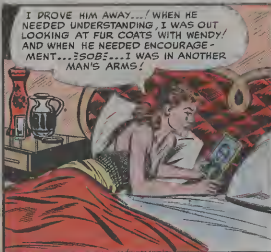
AND THANK YOU FOR SOMETHING! YOU'VE MADE ME SEE A FEW THINGS FOR THE FIRST TIME!

As Roger drove off, I paused before entering the house! I had to straighten out a few things in my mind...before seeing John!





Hating John and certain that all was over between us, I cried myself to sleep! But the next morning, in the cold light of day, I realized that I was still the one at fault... that his note had not shifted the blame!

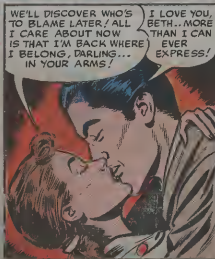
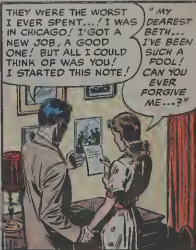


Three days passed without word... and I had almost given up hope! Then, upon returning from the drug-store on the afternoon of the fourth day...



Convulsive sobs wracked my body as I saw him writing a note... the note which would end everything! Then I felt his hand on my shoulder!

BETH...YOU...YOU STILL CARE...? THIS...OUR MARRIAGE STILL MEANS SOMETHING TO YOU?



People are strange and complex beings! John and I each thought our selves at fault... and perhaps we were! But of one thing I'm sure... our love is stronger than ever because of the compassion and understanding upon, which it is now based!

my Sinful Promise

ALL MY LIFE I'VE BEEN TAUGHT TO HATE YOU, NEAL! BUT I DON'T WANT REVENGE NOW! I WANT YOUR LOVE!

EVER SINCE I COULD REMEMBER, I HATED THE CRANDALLS! HATED THEM FOR THEIR WEALTH AND SOCIAL POSITION, HATED THEM BECAUSE THEIR FORTUNE SHOULD HAVE BEEN MOTHER'S AND MINE! FOR YEARS THIS RESENTMENT CHURNED IN ME AND FIERCELY I DREAMED OF STRIKING BACK AT THEM! BUT WHEN MY CHANCE CAME, I FOUND MYSELF TORN BETWEEN A PASSIONATE DESIRE FOR REVENGE AND A LONGING TO BE LOVED BY THE VERY MAN I WAS PLEDGED TO DESTROY!

I WAS TEN BEFORE I HEARD WHY MY MOTHER DESPISED ROGER CRANDALL!

BUT WASN'T MR CRANDALL DADDY'S FRIEND, MAMA?

YOUR FATHER THOUGHT HE WAS! DADDY WAS A WONDERFUL CHEMIST, DEAR! HE THOUGHT ROGER CRANDALL WOULD HELP US MARKET HIS NEW SOFT DRINK FORMULA!

DADDY PASSED AWAY BEFORE THAT HAPPENED, CHARLENE! BUT ROGER CRANDALL MADE A FORTUNE ON CHERI-POP... AND DO YOU THINK HE EVER SENT US ONE THIN DIME? HE DARED ME TO TAKE IT TO COURT ONCE! AS THOUGH I COULD AFFORD A COURT CASE! BUT COULD YOU PROVE THE STORY ABOUT DADDY?

I WOULDN'T BE DOING OTHER PEOPLE'S IRONING IF I COULD! AND THE CRANDALLS WOULDN'T BE LIVING IN THAT BIG MANSION ON LAUREL HILL!

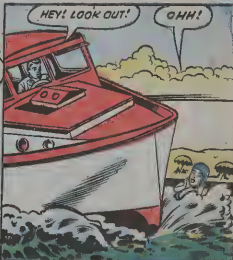
I HATE THEM, MAMA! I'D LIKE TO HURT ROGER CRANDALL! SOMEDAY I'LL DO IT, TOO!

IT WAS A CHILDISH THREAT, BUT AS THE YEARS WENT BY IT BECAME AN OBSESSION!

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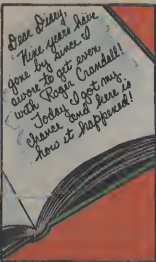
I WAS OUT ON A BEACH PICNIC AT LAKE BARSTOW ONE AFTERNOON WHEN...

C'MON BACK, CHARLENE! BE THE GIRLS ARE STARTING A FIRE FOR THE HOT DOGS! BE RIGHT WITH YOU, PAM!

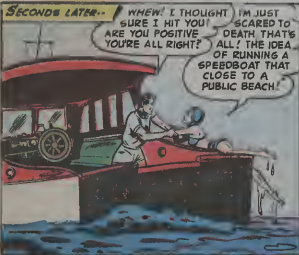


HEY! LOOK OUT!

OHH!



Dear Diary,
Five years have gone by since I wrote to get even with Roger Crandall! Today I got my chance and here is how it happened!



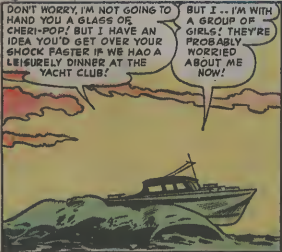
SECONDS LATER..

WHEW! I THOUGHT SURE I HIT YOU! ARE YOU POSITIVE YOU'RE ALL RIGHT? I'M JUST SCARED THAT'S DEATH THAT'S ALL! THE IDEA OF RUNNING A SPEEDBOAT THAT CLOSE TO A PUBLIC BEACH!



I'M REALLY SORRY! AND JUST IN CASE YOU DECIDE TO SUE ME, MY NAME IS NEAL CRANDALL!

YOU.. YOU'RE ROGER CRANDALL'S SON!



DON'T WORRY, I'M NOT GOING TO HAND YOU A GLASS OF CHERI-POP! BUT I HAVE AN IDEA YOU'D GET OVER YOUR SHOCK FASTER IF WE HAD A LEISURELY DINNER AT THE YACHT CLUB!

BUT I.. I'M WITH A GROUP OF GIRLS! THEY'RE PROBABLY WORRIED ABOUT ME NOW!



IT ISN'T EVERYDAY I RUN INTO A MERMAID AS GORGEOUS AS YOU! LET'S BUZZ OVER AND TELL YOUR FRIENDS I'M BORROWING YOU FOR A WHILE!

WHY NOT? IF I GET TO KNOW NEAL, I'LL FIGURE OUT A WAY TO GET BACK AT THE CRANDALLS!

I WAS WITH NEAL EVERY EVENING AFTER THAT!

THIS TOWN BOREO ME SILLY AFTER FOUR YEARS OF COLLEGE IN NEW YORK! AND MAYBE YOU THINK I DIDN'T HATE BEING A FLUNKY VICE-PRESIDENT AT THE BOTTLING PLANT!

YOU SOUND AS IF ALL THAT WAS CHANGED NEAL!

IT IS! EVERYTHING'S CHANGED THE DAY I MET YOU, CHARLENE! I'VE GOT A REAL REASON FOR STAYING HERE NOW... AND WORKING!

I MUSTN'T LET MYSELF LIKE HIM! HE'S ROGER CRANDALL'S SON! I CAN'T FORGET THAT!

I FOUGHT AGAINST MY GROWING FONDNESS FOR NEAL, DEPERATELY SCHEMING TO USE HIS INTEREST IN ME AS A WEAPON OF REVENGE! MY MOTHER WHO SEEMED TO BECOME MORE BITTER EACH DAY, WAS THE ONE WHO POINTED OUT THE WAY!

OF COURSE HE LIKES YOU! BUT WHAT YOU'RE YOUNG AND PRETTY AND THE CRANDALLS ALWAYS WANT THE BEST FOR THEMSELVES! WELL, THIS IS YOUR CHANCE CHARLENE!

BUT WHAT CAN I DO? NEAL DOESN'T EVEN KNOW ABOUT DAD..

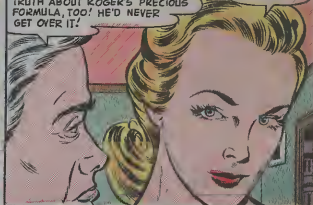


HE'S A CRANDALL AND THEY'RE ALL ALIKE! BUT SUPPOSE YOU LED HIM ON AND HE MARRIED YOU? WHAT A WEDDING PRESENT YOU COULD GIVE HIM!

I -- I DON'T UNDERSTAND, MOTHER!

WHAT DO YOU THINK WOULD HAPPEN IF THE PAPERS WERE FULL OF HEADLINES ABOUT A SENSATIONAL DIVORCE CASE? YOU COULD TELL THEM THE TRUTH ABOUT ROGER'S PRECIOUS FORMULA, TOO! HE'D NEVER GET OVER IT!

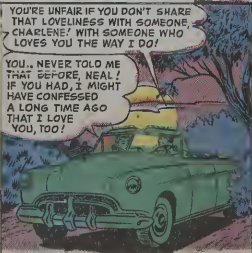
DISGRACE THE CRANDALLS! YES! YES! THAT'S IT!



INSPIRED BY MOTHER'S SPITEFUL PLAN FOR REVENGEANCE I MADE EVERY EFFORT TO MAKE MYSELF DESIRABLE TO NEAL! AND FINALLY MY PROVOCATIVE GLANCES AND INVITING LIPS HAD THE DESIRED EFFECT!

YOU'RE UNFAIR IF YOU DON'T SHARE THAT LOVELINESS WITH SOMEONE, CHARLENE! WITH SOMEONE WHO LOVES YOU THE WAY I DO!

YOU.. NEVER TOLD ME THAT BEFORE, NEAL! IF YOU HAD, I MIGHT HAVE CONFESSED A LONG TIME AGO THAT I LOVE YOU, TOO!



CHARLENE! OH, CHARLENE, BABY! DON'T MAKE ME WAIT! TELL ME WE'LL BE MARRIED AT THIS TIME NEXT WEEK!

YES, NEAL! AS SOON AS POSSIBLE!



I SAID YES EAGERLY! BUT WAS IT BECAUSE MY HEART WAS FILLED WITH A BURNING DESIRE FOR REVENGE ... OR BECAUSE I LOVED NEAL MORE THAN LIFE ITSELF?



Now that Neal and I are going to be married he wants his father to meet me! How I dread tomorrow!

AND THE NEXT DAY... DON'T BE NERVOUS, DARLING! DAD'S A BIT GROUCHY AT TIMES, BUT THAT'S BECAUSE HE ISN'T WELL! AND I KNOW HE'LL LIKE YOU!

HIS FATHER WON'T LIKE ME WHEN I'M THROUGH WITH HIM! ALL THESE YEARS OF SEEING HIM ONLY FROM A DISTANCE, HATING HIM AND UNABLE TO STRIKE BACK! ALL THAT'S GOING TO CHANGE NOW!



BUT AS NEAL INTRODUCED US...

LOVELY GIRL, NEAL! LOVELY! CHARLENE FELLOWS DID YOU SAY?

YES, CHARLENE FELLOWS! I'VE LIVED HERE IN TOWN ALL MY LIFE!



KNEW YOUR FATHER! BUT THAT WAS YEARS AGO... YOU WOULDN'T REMEMBER!

IT'S TIME FOR YOUR INSULIN SHOT, MR. CRANDALL! AND I'M AFRAID YOU'D BETTER REST NOW! REMEMBER WHAT THE DOCTOR SAID ABOUT VISITORS!



BUT YOU DIDN'T TELL ME YOUR FATHER WAS AN INVALID, NEAL!

DIDN'T I? HE'S DRIVEN HIMSELF ALL HIS LIFE, CHARLENE! RUINED HIS HEALTH BUILDING UP A BUSINESS THAT DOESN'T MEAN A THING TO ME! SOMETIMES I THINK I BROKE HIS HEART WHEN I TOLD HIM THAT!



I HAD ALWAYS VISUALIZED ROGER CRANDALL AS A HATEFUL OGRE.. THE MAN WHO HAD STOLEN FROM MY FATHER, CHEATED MY MOTHER! NOW I SAW HIM AS A HELPLESS OLD MAN, BROKEN IN BODY AND SPIRIT!

A SHOCK WOULD KILL ROGER CRANDALL! I WONDER IF I HATE HIM THAT MUCH!



BUT WHEN I TOLD MOTHER THAT NIGHT!

POOR OLD MAN, HAH! A LOT NE CARED ABOUT YOUR
POOR OLD **MOTHER**, RAISING YOU ON MONEY I
EARNED SLAVING OVER A HOT
IRON! DON'T FEEL SORRY
FOR THE CRANDALLS.
CHARLENE! GET WHAT
YOU CAN OUT OF THEM!



BUT NEAL IS DIFFERENT! I
CAN'T HELP NOT WANTING
TO HURT HIM,
MOTHER!
I-I LOVE
HIM!

LOVE HIM! REMEMBER
WHO HE IS, CHARLENE!
REMEMBER THE TIMES
WE WENT HUNGRY WHILE
THEY GORGED THEM-
SELVES WITH MONEY
THAT WAS RIGHTFULLY
OURS!



AS MOTHER
SPOKE, I
TRIED TO
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BITTER MEM-
ORIES AND THE
CONSUMING
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ALL I COULD
THINK OF
WAS ROGER
CRANDALL'S
PRACTICALLY
WHITE FACE!
THAT AND
NEAL'S ARMS
AROUND ME,
HOLDING ME
CLOSE AS
HE POURED
OUT HIS
HEART!

SOBE I CAN'T HATE
THEM! YOU'VE POISONED
YOUR LIFE WITH
HATRED, BUT DON'T
ASK ME TO POISON
MINE!

CHARLENE!



TO THINK THAT
I'D SEE THE
DAY WHEN
MY OWN
CHILD
WOULD
TURN
AGAINST
ME!

BUT DON'T YOU
SEE, MOTHER?
YOU HAVEN'T HURT
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AND I'D ONLY BE
BREAKING MY OWN
HEART IF I HURT
NEAL



MOTHER'S FACE WAS LIKE A MASK
OF PAIN AND I KNEW IT WAS
HOPELESS TO PLEAD WITH HER!
I WAS GRATEFUL FOR THE
KNOCK ON THE DOOR!

PLEASE DON'T
CRY! WE...
WE'LL TALK
LATER!

SEE WHO'S AT
THE DOOR! I
DON'T WANT TO
TALK ABOUT IT
ANMORE!



**I KNEW SOMETHING WAS WRONG THE MOMENT
NEAL STEPPED INTO THE ROOM!**

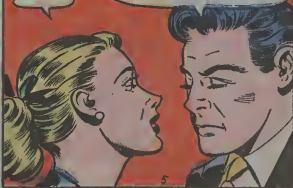
W-WHAT IS IT, NEAL?
YOU LOOK PALE
AS A GHOST!

IT'S DAD, HONEY! HE
PASSED AWAY THIS
MORNING!



OH, I'M... I'M
SORRY, DARLING!
I WISH THERE
WAS SOMETHING
MORE I COULD
SAY!

I'M NOT SORRY, CHARLENE! IT
SOUNDS LIKE A TERRIBLE THING
TO SAY BUT HE LIVED IN AGONY
THESE PAST FEW YEARS! AT
LEAST THE PAIN AND MISERY IS
OVER NOW AND HE'S RESTING!

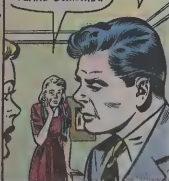


DIARY LOVES

I LOOKED AT MOTHER AND IT WAS AS IF SHE HAD BEEN ROB-BED OF HER MOST CHERISHED POSSESSION! NOW THERE WAS NO ONE FOR HER TO MATE! NOW SHE HAD ONLY ONE AMBITION LEFT... FOR ME TO MARRY NEAL FOR HIS MONEY!

I'M S-SORRY TO HEAR ABOUT YOUR FATHER, NEAL! THIS WILL PROBABLY CHANGE YOUR PLANS SOMENHAT!

PLANS? OH, YES... THE WEDDING!



I DON'T THINK DAO WOULD HAVE WANTED US TO POSTPONE THE WEDDING, CHARLENE! BUT IN ALL FAIRNESS, YOU OUGHT TO BE GIVEN A CHANCE TO CHANGE YOUR MIND!

CHANGE MY MIND ABOUT... MARRYING YOU? OH, NEAL, WHY?



WHEN I PROPOSED TO YOU, OARLING, I WAS THE HEIR TO A FORTUNE! I'M GOING TO BE JUST ANOTHER GUY LOOKING FOR A JOB NOW!

BUT YOU'RE ROGERS' ONLY SON! OF COURSE HE'D LEAVE EVERYTHING TO YOU!



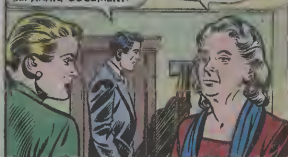
NO.. NO! HE KNEW HOW I FELT ABOUT THE BUSINESS, SO HE DIDN'T BURDEN ME WITH THAT! AND SOMEWHERE IN HIS LIFE HE MUST HAVE STEPPED ON SOMEONE ELSE TO BECOME SUCCESSFUL BECAUSE HE SEEMED ANXIOUS FOR ME TO MAKE GOOD ON MY OWN!

HE SAID THAT IN HIS WILL?



MORE THAN THAT! HE LEFT EVERYTHING TO THE HEIRS OF THE MAN HE CLAIMED WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR HIS SUCCESS! I DON'T KNOW WHO IT WAS, BUT THE LAWYERS HAVE THAT INFORMATION IN A SEPARATE DOCUMENT!

THE HEIRS OF THE MAN WHO WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR HIS SUCCESS! ALL THESE YEARS HE WAS TORTURED... WITH THAT ON HIS CONSCIENCE!



HE SUFFERED MORE THAN WE DID! AND YET I WANTED YOU TO HATE HIM! I WAS WRONG, CHARLENE! WRONG!

I DON'T UNDERSTAND, OEAR! WHAT DID YOUR MOTHER MEAN BY THAT?



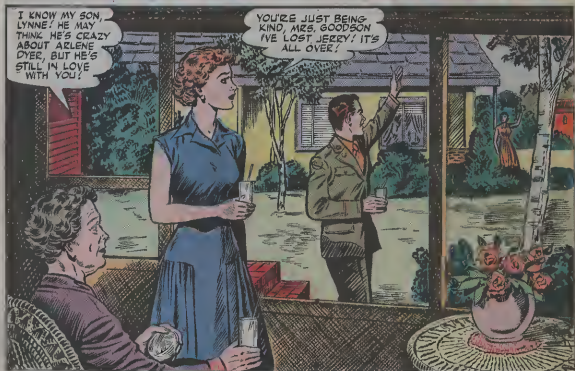
IT'S NOT IMPORTANT, OARLING! NOTHING'S IMPORTANT EXCEPT OUR LOVE FOR EACH OTHER!

CHARLENE! I SHOULD HAVE KNOWN THAT WOULD BE YOUR ANSWER!

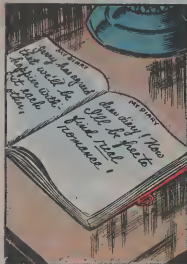


I haven't told Neal yet that he's marrying the Crandall heiress! Somehow that don't seem im-portant either!

This TIME it's for KEEPS



JERRY GOODSON AND I HAD BEEN ENGAGED FOR MORE THAN A YEAR BEFORE WE DECIDED TO GO OUR SEPARATE WAYS! IT SEEMED LIKE SUCH A SMART AND SENSIBLE ARRANGEMENT -- AFTER ALL, HADN'T THE THRILL GONE OUT OF OUR KISSES? HADN'T OUR EMBRACES BEEN MECHANICAL AND MEANINGLESS? BUT I HAD YET TO LEARN THE HEARTBREAKING LESSON THAT LOVE DOESN'T ALWAYS END THE DAY YOU RETURN A MAN'S ENGAGEMENT RING! AND WHEN I DISCOVERED THAT LIFE WASN'T WORTH LIVING WITH OUT JERRY, IT WAS TOO LATE!



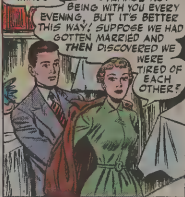
WE'RE STILL FRIENDS LYNNE? NO HARD FEELINGS?

OF COURSE WE'RE STILL FRIENDS JERRY! BREAKING OUR ENGAGEMENT WAS MY IDEA, WASN'T IT?



MOM'S THE ONLY ONE WHO'S TAKING IT HARD! YOU'LL HAVE TO DROP BY AND CONVINCE HER THAT PEOPLE DO CHANGE THEIR MINDS!

IT'S GOING TO BE STRANGE NOT BEING WITH YOU EVERY EVENING, BUT IT'S BETTER THIS WAY! SUPPOSE WE HAD GOTTEN MARRIED AND THEN DISCOVERED WE WERE TIRED OF EACH OTHER?



DIARY LOVES

I WAS BACK IN CIRCULATION AGAIN AFTER A YEARS ABSENCE! BUT INSTEAD OF BEING DELUGED WITH PHONE CALLS, I FOUND THE EVENINGS LONELY AND DEPRESSING!

I DON'T GET IT, LYNNE! YOU'RE ENGAGED TO A WONDERFUL GUY YOU DON'T HAVE A FIGHT WITH HIM, AND ALL OF A SUDDEN YOU'RE A WALL FLOWER!

IF YOU WEREN'T SUCH A GOOD ROOM MATE, JUDY, I'D TELL YOU TO MIND YOUR OWN BUSINESS!

I HEAR JERRY DIDN'T WASTE ANY TIME! ONE OF THE FELLOWS TOLD ME HE'S BEEN OUT WITH ARLENE DYER EVERY NIGHT THIS WEEK!

IT'S EASY FOR A MAN TO PICK UP WHERE HE LEFT OFF! A GIRL HAS TO WAIT FOR MEN TO CALL HER!

CHEER UP LYNNE! YOU'LL PROBABLY BE SWAMPED WITH DATES BEFORE LONG!

I'M BEGINNING TO WONDER, I HAVEN'T BEEN OUT ANYWHERE SINCE THAT LAST EVENING WITH JERRY!

I WENT OUT OF MY WAY TO RENEW FRIENDSHIPS WITH MEN WHO HAD BEEN INTERESTED IN ME BEFORE I MET JERRY! BUT IT WAS DISCOURAGING TO LEARN THAT I WAS JUST A "HAS-BEEN" IN THEIR LIVES!

TOMMY CHAPMAN! I HAVEN'T SEEN YOU IN A YEAR! STILL WORKING AT STANTON'S, I SEE!

SAME OLD JOB! HOW'S IT WITH YOU, LYNNE? I JUST HEARD YOU WERE GOING TO BE A BRIDE!

I CHANGED MY MIND! YOU MIGHT SAY I'VE BEEN PLAYING THE FIELD! OF THAT! I OUGHT TO KNOW! I'LL BE GETTING MARRIED IN A FEW MONTHS! YOU REMEMBER SHIRLEY TALBOT, DON'T YOU?

TOMMY WAS JUST ONE EXAMPLE! THERE WERE OTHERS, EVEN MORE DISCOURAGING!

DROP OVER SOMETIME, BERT! REMEMBER THE FUN WE USED TO HAVE WHILE YOU WERE HELPING ME WRITE MY SENIOR THEME!

SENIOR THEME? OH SURE... SURE I'LL NEVER FORGET! WELL... NICE TO HAVE SEEN YOU AGAIN, LYNNE!

SEE YOU AGAIN!

HE WON'T SEE ME AGAIN! I'M JUST A DEAD ISSUE AS FAR AS THE MEN IN THIS TOWN ARE CONCERNED! WHAT A FOOL I WAS TO GIVE UP JERRY!

DIARY LOVES

AND ONE EVENING!

JERRY HASN'T HAD TIME TO GET SERIOUS ABOUT ANY OTHER GIRL! IF HE STARTS SEEING ME AGAIN MAYBE HE'LL REALIZE HOW MUCH WE MEANT TO EACH OTHER!



AND SO --

MY, I WAS BEGINNING TO WONDER IF YOU'D EVER COME AND VISIT ME, LYNNE! HEAVEN KNOWS I DON'T SEE MUCH OF JERRY!

YES, I... HEAR HE'S QUITE THE MAN ABOUT TOWN! I'VE BEEN RUNNING AROUND TO MUCH MYSELF!



I NEVER REALIZED THAT I KNEW SO MANY PEOPLE! ACTUALLY I HAVEN'T BEEN HOME ONE EVENING SINCE... OH! HELLO JERRY!

HI, LYNNE! HOW'S THE WOMAN IN MY PAST? SAY YOU CAN DO ME A FAVOR WHILE YOU'RE HERE!



ARLENE HAS A FIT WHEN MY TIES AND SOCKS DON'T MATCH! IS THIS COMBINATION OKAY?

IT'S... FINE, JERRY! I'M SURE SHE'LL APPROVE!

I DON'T MEAN ANYMORE TO HIM THAN THIS, OH JERRY!

PERHAPS MY LOVE FOR JERRY HAD DWINDLED DOWN TO A TINY EMBER! BUT SEEING HIM AGAIN HAD KINDLED THE SPARK INTO A FLAME THAT TOOK POSSESSION OF ALL MY SENSES! I LOVED HIM AND WANTED HIM BACK! HIS KISSES HAD BELONGED TO ME ONCE -- AND THEY WOULD AGAIN!



NO WONDER YOU GOT TIRED OF EACH OTHER! YOU WERE IN A ZUT, LIKE OLD MARRIED PEOPLE! IF YOU STILL WANT JERRY, LET HIM SIT UP AND NOTICE YOU!

SOME CUTE CLOTHES, A NEW HAIRCUT! YOU'RE RIGHT, JUDY! I'VE GOT TO COMPETE FOR HIS LOVE NOW!



AND BEFORE LONG --

WHEN! IF JERRY DOESN'T COME HURRYING BACK NOW, HE'S BLIND! THAT OUTFIT DOES WONDERS FOR YOU, LYNNE!

I'LL LOOK SILLY WEARING IT TO VISIT JERRY'S MOTHER! I'LL SAY THAT I'VE GOT A DATE LATER!

DETERMINED TO WIN JERRY BACK, I USED EVERY TRICK IN THE BOOK AND FOUND ENDLESS EXCUSES TO VISIT HIS MOTHER! BUT JERRY GAVE ME NO HOPE UNTIL ONE EVENING!



YOU AREN'T GOING OUT AGAIN, SON? WHY, LYNNE JUST GOT HERE!

SORRY, KIDS! I'VE GOT IMPORTANT BUSINESS ELSEWHERE! LYNNE'S AN OLD PAL... SHE UNDERSTANDS!

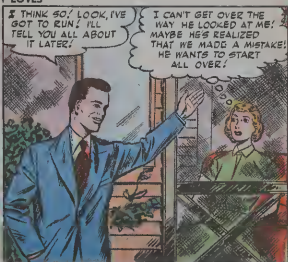


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YOU'LL BE AROUND FOR A WHILE WON'T YOU, HON? I'VE GOT TO DRIVE ARLINE TO HER GIRLS' CLUB BUT I'LL BE BACK IN ABOUT AN HOUR! I'D LIKE TO TALK TO YOU THEN!

IT SOUNDS INTERESTING, JERRY! IS IT SOMETHING... IMPORTANT?



I THINK SO! LOOK, I'VE GOT TO RUN! I'LL TELL YOU ALL ABOUT IT LATER!

I CAN'T GET OVER THE WAY HE LOOKED AT ME! MAYBE HE'S REALIZED THAT HE MADE A MISTAKE! HE WANTS TO START ALL OVER!

HAPPY AND EAGER, I WAITED TWO HOURS BEFORE JERRY RETURNED! AND THEN, INSTEAD OF THE WORDS I WAITED SO DESPERATELY TO HEAR, HE DELIVERED A CRUSHING BLOW!



YOU'RE MY TWO BEST FRIENDS AND I WANT YOU TO HEAR THIS FIRST! I'M GOING TO ASK ARLINE TO MARRY ME!

TO... MARRY YOU?



DO I HEAR CONGRATULATIONS? I HAVEN'T ASKED THE GIRL YET MIND YOU, BUT YOU CAN COUNT ON BEING INVITED TO A WEDDING SOON!

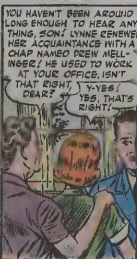
THAT'S... WONDERFUL, JERRY. I'M... VERY HAPPY FOR YOU!

YES, AND... AND ISN'T THIS A WONDERFUL COINCIDENCE? LYNNE WAS JUST TELLING ME THAT SHE'S ABOUT TO TAKE THE LEAP, TOO!



LYNNE? WHY... YOU NEVER TOLD ME YOU WERE INTERESTED IN ANYBODY!

SPEECHLESS WITH SURPRISE, COMPLETELY OVERCOME BY JERRY'S HEARTBREAKING ANNOUNCEMENT, I LISTENED TO MRS. GOODSON'S VALIANT ATTEMPT TO SAVE ME FROM HUMILIATION! AND THERE WAS NOTHING I COULD DO BUT GO ALONG WITH THE FANTASTIC STORY!



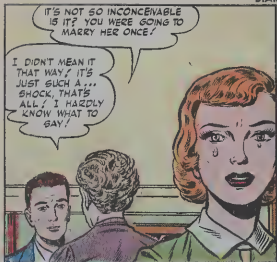
YOU HAVEN'T BEEN AROUND LONG ENOUGH TO HEAR ANYTHING, SON! LYNNE RENEWED HER ACQUAINTANCE WITH A CHAP NAMED DREW MELLINGER! HE USED TO WORK AT YOUR OFFICE, ISN'T THAT RIGHT, DEAR?

Y-YES! YES, THAT'S RIGHT!



IT'S TOO BAD HE'S WORKING IN CHICAGO NOW AND YOU CAN'T BE TOGETHER! BUT I GUESS LETTERS WILL HAVE TO DO UNTIL THE WEDDING!

I CAN'T GET OVER IT! LYNNE GETTING MARRIED!



IT'S NOT SO INCONCEIVABLE IS IT? YOU WERE GOING TO MARRY HER ONCE!

I DIDN'T MEAN IT THAT WAY, IT'S JUST SUCH A... SHOCK, THAT'S ALL! I HARDLY KNOW WHAT TO SAY!



WELL, YOUR NEWS WAS SHOCKING, TOO, JERRY! BUT I THINK EVERYTHING'S WORKED OUT BEAUTIFULLY FOR BOTH OF YOU!

SURE HAS! IT'S GREAT ISN'T IT, LYNNE?

WAS I IMAGINING THINGS OR DID JERRY SOUND A TRIFLE DISAPPOINTED? I LEFT SOON AFTERWARD HEART-SICK AT KNOWING I HAD LOST JERRY FOREVER! AS ALWAYS, MY ROOMMATE WAS SYMPATHETIC!

THAT WAS PRETTY DECENT OF MRS. GOODSON INVENTING THAT STORY! IT PROBABLY KEPT YOU FROM BREAKING DOWN IN FRONT OF JERRY!

BUT IT ISN'T TRUE, JUDY! I'M LONELIER NOW THAN I'VE EVER BEEN BEFORE AND... JERRY'S GOING TO BE MARRIED!

AND LONG AFTER JUDY HAD FALLEN ASLEEP!

IT HELPED ME SAVE FACE, ALL RIGHT! SHE MADE IT SOUND SO CONVINCING THAT I ALMOST BELIEVED IT MYSELF!

GO ON, HAVE A GOOD CRY, HONEY! THERE'S NOT MUCH ELSE YOU CAN DO NOW!

WHY DIDN'T I REALIZE BEFORE HOW MUCH I LOVE YOU, JERRY? WHY DIDN'T I KNOW IT UNTIL NOW, WHEN IT'S TOO LATE?



FOR WEEKS AFTER THAT I STAYED AWAY FROM THE GOODSON HOME, KNOWING I COULDN'T BEAR TO SEE JERRY AGAIN NOW THAT HE BELONGED TO SOMEONE ELSE!

HE'D ASK ME ABOUT THE MAN I'M GOING TO MARRY... AND I COULDN'T LIE TO HIM! OH, JERRY, I'D HAVE TO TELL YOU THE TRUTH... THAT I'LL NEVER LOVE ANYONE BUT YOU!



AND THEN, ONE EVENING!

STOP GRUMBLING AND LET'S ENJOY A GOOD DINNER, LYNNE! I'M NOT GOING TO LET YOU SIT AROUND THE APARTMENT AND MOPE!

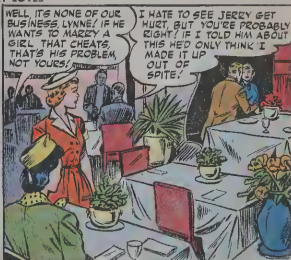


JUDY, LOOK! THAT GUY! ISN'T THAT ARLENE DYER?



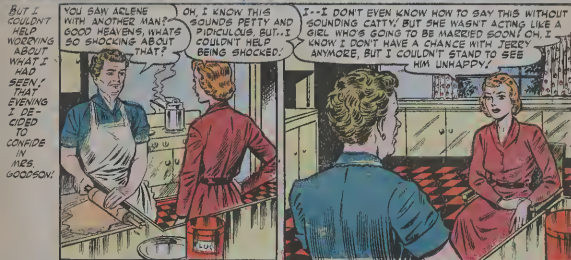
THAT'S ARLENE, ALL RIGHT. I DON'T RECOGNIZE THE MAN, BUT THEY CERTAINLY ARE CHUMMY!

BUT SHE'S SUPPOSED TO BE MARRYING JERRY! HE'D BE MISERABLE IF HE SAW HER NOW!



WELL, IT'S NONE OF OUR BUSINESS, LYNNE! IF HE WANTS TO MARRY A GIRL THAT CHEATS, THAT'S HIS PROBLEM, NOT OURS!

I HATE TO SEE JERRY GET HURT, BUT YOU'RE PROBABLY RIGHT! IF I TOLD HIM ABOUT THIS HE'D ONLY THINK I MADE IT UP OUT OF SPIKE!

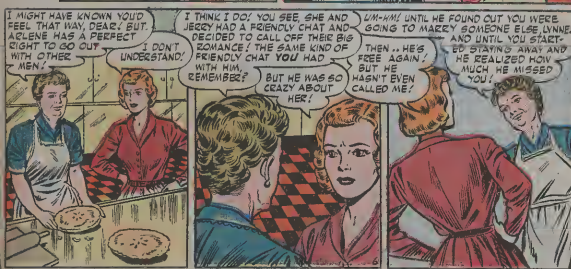


BUT I COULDN'T HELP WORRYING ABOUT WHAT I HAD SEEN! THAT EVENING I DECIDED TO CONFIDE IN MRS. GOODSON!

YOU SAW ARLENE WITH ANOTHER MAN? GOOD HEAVENS, WHAT'S SO SHOCKING ABOUT THAT?

OH, I KNOW THIS SOUNDS PETTY AND PIDICULOUS, BUT... I COULDN'T HELP BEING SHOCKED!

I--I DON'T EVEN KNOW HOW TO SAY THIS WITHOUT SOUNDING CATTY! BUT SHE WASN'T ACTING LIKE A GIRL WHO'S GOING TO BE MARRIED SOON! OH, I KNOW I DON'T HAVE A CHANCE WITH JERRY ANYMORE, BUT I COULDN'T STAND TO SEE HIM UNHAPPY!



I MIGHT HAVE KNOWN YOU'D FEEL THAT WAY, DEAR! BUT, ARLENE HAS A PERFECT RIGHT TO GO OUT WITH OTHER MEN!

I DON'T UNDERSTAND!

I THINK I DO! YOU SEE, SHE AND JERRY HAD A FRIENDLY CHAT AND DECIDED TO CALL OFF THEIR BIG ROMANCE! THE SAME KIND OF FRIENDLY CHAT YOU HAD WITH HIM, REMEMBER?

BUT HE WAS SO CRAZY ABOUT HER!

UH-HUH! UNTIL HE FOUND OUT YOU WERE GOING TO MARRY SOMEONE ELSE, LYNNE! AND UNTIL YOU STARTED STAYING AWAY AND HE REALIZED HOW MUCH HE MISSED YOU!

THEN... HE'S FREE AGAIN! BUT HE HADN'T EVEN CALLED ME!

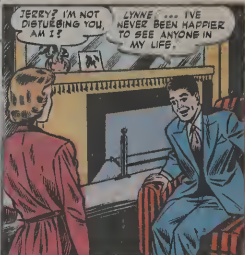
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HE'S BEEN AFRAID TO CALL YOU, LYNNE! AFTER ALL YOU ARE ENGAGED TO DEWE SOMEBODY-OR-OTHER, AREN'T YOU?

MRS. GOODSON, HAS ANYBODY EVER TOLD YOU YOU'RE AN ANGEL?

I HAD ASSUMED THAT JERRY WAS OUT WITH ARLINE, BUT HIS MOTHER WINKED AS SHE TOLD ME TO FIND HIM IN THE DEN! I DID... AND I WAS AMAZED TO FIND HIM AS DETECTED AS I HAD BEEN ONLY MINUTES BEFORE!



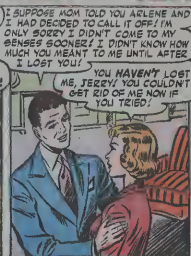
JERRY? I'M NOT DISTURBING YOU, AM I?

LYNNE... I'VE NEVER BEEN HAPPIER TO SEE ANYONE IN MY LIFE.



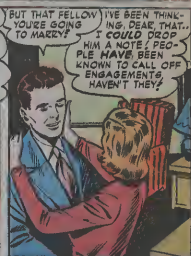
I WAS JUST.. PASSING BY; IT'S BEEN A LONG TIME SINCE WE SAW EACH OTHER AND I THOUGHT...

IT'S BEEN TOO LONG, LYNNE! I'VE MISSED THOSE LONG TALKS WE USED TO HAVE AND... WELL, I'VE MISSED YOU!



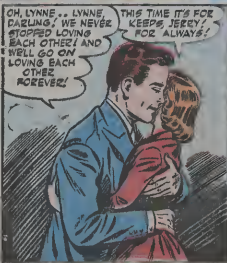
I SUPPOSE MOM TOLD YOU ARLINE AND I HAD DECIDED TO CALL IT OFF! I'M ONLY SORRY I DIDN'T COME TO MY SENSES SOONER! I DIDN'T KNOW HOW MUCH YOU MEANT TO ME UNTIL AFTER I LOST YOU!

YOU HAVEN'T LOST ME, JERRY! YOU COULDN'T GET RID OF ME NOW IF YOU TRIED!



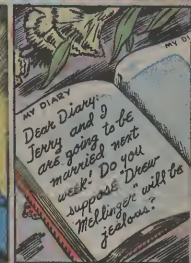
BUT THAT FELLOW YOU'RE GOING TO MARRY?

I'VE BEEN THINKING, DEAR, THAT... I COULD DROP HIM A NOTE! PEOPLE HAVE BEEN KNOWN TO CALL OFF ENGAGEMENTS, HAVEN'T THEY?



OH, LYNNE... LYNNE, DARLING, WE NEVER STOPPED LOVING EACH OTHER! AND WE'LL GO ON LOVING EACH OTHER FOREVER!

THIS TIME IT'S FOR KEEPS, JERRY! FOR ALWAYS!



MY DIARY
Dear Jerry:
Jerry and I are going to be married next week! Do you suppose "Drew Mellinger" will be jealous?

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He's Right For Me

I HAD been going with Greg Walters for three months and was head over heels in love with this man about whom I knew practically nothing. He was darkly handsome and most attentive and was obviously very well off financially. As far as I could tell, he didn't have a job of any sort, though he frequently came into our offices to see our harried, little president. Finally, compromising with myself on the questions that came to my mind about him, I decided he was probably the last remaining member of a wealthy family. Greg never mentioned his people and when I asked about them, he told me he was alone in the world, except for me.

I loved to hear him say that. For I was just Alice Miller, a stenographer in a downtown export-import office, and I was alone in the world, too! How such a fascinating man ever noticed me in that dingy office, I never knew, but it was enough to know that he had, and that he wanted to be with me. I was content in my love.

Greg took me to all the exciting nightclubs and to the current plays and his gifts were so lavish that they took my breath away. Once he gave me a string of pearls that looked to be very expensive, another time he gifted me with rare perfume. These I accepted with shining eyes, but the day I opened the large box to discover a mink cape of matchless beauty, I knew that I must call a halt. Greg was pleasant over the phone when I told him I just couldn't accept such a fabulous gift. "Would you feel any better about it if you were Mrs. Greg Walters, honey?" My heart stood still at his words. This is what I had longed to hear Greg say. "I'll see you later tonight, darling," I murmured, "and I'll tell you then." He laughed softly and replied, "I know you'll say 'yes.' We were meant for each other."

I was still in seventh heaven a few moments later when the doorbell rang. I opened it to find a tall, earnest-looking young man standing there. "Are you Alice Miller?" he inquired. I nodded and he showed me his credentials. He was Dan Little, a detective on the city police force. I ushered him into my tiny apartment, my mind full of questions. "What could a detective want with me on a Saturday afternoon?" I mused.

He soon made his business clear. He was after a "fence" he said, an underworld character who received stolen goods, I still didn't see how this affected me and I said so. Up until then I liked his manner, he was so pleasant looking and seemed to be making an effort to be kind. Then he told me! The police were after Greg. They had positive proof that he was the man they were after. They picked up the president of my company that afternoon for smuggling the stolen property into the country. "Mostly jewels and furs," said Dan Little. I gasped, thinking of the pearls and the mink cape. They couldn't be stolen, Greg wasn't guilty of such a crime. Without thinking, I showed the gifts to Dan Little, bragging a little as I told him that only a few moments before his arrival, Greg had asked me to marry him. He nodded seriously, "We were afraid of that, Miss Miller," he said. "Walters knows things are getting hot but he didn't know we knew about you yet. You're probably aware that a wife can't testify against her husband." As the terrible import of his words sank in, I broke into tears. Dan Little said what he could to comfort me, telling me that it was better to find out now than after it was too late. It was small comfort at the time and later that night when I'd had news that they had picked Greg up as he drove up to my apartment, I was close to hysteria. They let me see Greg and he admitted that going with me was just a cover for his activities. "There's nothing like a nice girl to give a guy class, honey," he said. My world fell apart at his words and later that night I wrote in my diary:

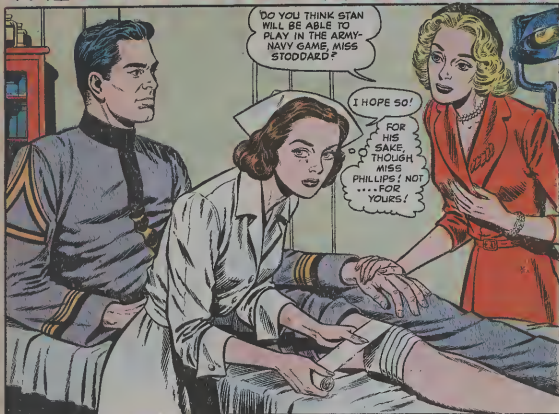
Dear Diary,

I'll never trust another man as long as I live. They're deceitful and cruel. I'll read this over and over, dear diary, to keep from ever making another mistake.

Well, months have passed and I've made that mistake I wrote about. I saw a lot of Dan Little as the investigation and trial progressed, and very soon now, I'll be his wife. There are no questions in my mind about this man of mine. I just know he's right for me.

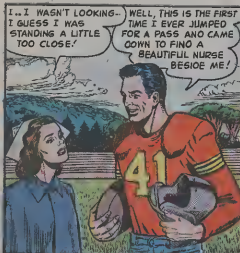
WHEN STAN MIDDLETON, ALL-STAR QUARTERBACK OF WEST POINT'S FAMOUS ELEVEN, KISSED ME, IT SEEMED THAT ALL MY DREAMS WERE ANSWERED! YET, WHAT CHANCE DID I HAVE AGAINST PAULA PHILLIPS, THE GLAMOROUS, SOCIALITE DAUGHTER OF COLONEL PHILLIPS, SECOND IN COMMAND AT THE ACADEMY!

WEST POINT ROMANCE



Today marks my first week at the Point and the third day as a nurse in the Academy's infirmary! Strange how nothing has changed in the three years I have been away! Nothing was away! Nothing was away! That is except! me... Little Ellen Stoddard who went away a bobby soxer and returned a nurse





I... I WASN'T LOOKING-- I GUESS I WAS STANDING A LITTLE TOO CLOSE!

WELL, THIS IS THE FIRST TIME I EVER JUMPED FOR A PASS AND CAME DOWN TO FIND A BEAUTIFUL NURSE BESIDE ME!

AND THEN HE WAS... GONE... AS QUICKLY AS HE HAD COME! I DIDN'T KNOW WHO HE WAS, WHAT HE WAS LIKE... YET, HIS FACE, AND HIS VOICE KEPT COMING TO MIND ALL THAT AFTERNOON AND EVENING! AND THE FOLLOWING MORNING, THE MEMORY BECAME A REALITY!



HI! SO THIS IS WHERE THEY KEEP YOU! WHAT WERE YOU DOING YESTERDAY? LOOKING FOR NEW PATIENTS?

I SHOULD HOPE NOT! YOU'RE NOT PLANNING TO VOLUNTEER, ARE YOU?



NO... BUT WHAT DO YOU KNOW ABOUT MUSCLE INJURIES?

IT'S ONE OF MY SPECIALTIES! MY DAD IS SOMETHING OF AN EXPERT ON MUSCLES!

BEFORE I COULD SAY ANOTHER WORD, HE HURRIED ME INTO AN EMPTY ROOM AND SHOWED ME HIS DISCOLORED BADLY SWOLLEN KNEE! INEXPERIENCED AS I WAS, I WAS ABLE TO MAKE AN IMMEDIATE DIAGNOSIS!



IT LOOKS TO ME LIKE A TWISTED AND PROBABLY TORN CARTILAGE! YOU'D BETTER LET THE DOCTOR TAKE A LOOK AT IT!

NO! YOU'VE TOLD ME ENOUGH! OO ME A FAVOR! FORGET I WAS HERE!

WHY CAN'T YOU LET THE DOCTOR SEE IT? THAT KNEE IS GOING TO GIVE YOU A LOT OF PAIN!

YOU KNOW I'M ON THE FOOTBALL TEAM! IF THIS GETS BACK TO THE COACH I WON'T BE ABLE TO PLAY IN THE NAVY GAME! SO... PLEASE, MISS...



STODDARD! STODDARD! YOU... STODDARD!

STODDARD! YOU... YOU'RE NO RELATION TO DOC STODDARD THE FOOTBALL TRAINER.



YES... I'M HIS DAUGHTER! AND YOU NEEDN'T LOOK AS IF YOU'VE LOST YOUR LAST FRIEND!

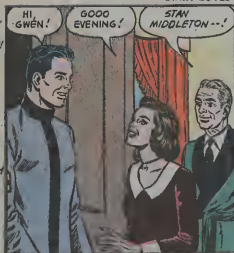
YOU... WON'T TELL "DOC"... I MEAN YOUR FATHER?



YOU COME OVER TO THE HOUSE TONIGHT! I THINK DAD CAN HELP YOU! AND I DON'T THINK HE'LL SAY ANYTHING TO THE COACH! AFTER ALL, AS HIS ONLY DAUGHTER, I HAVE A LITTLE INFLUENCE!

I GUESS THERE'S NOTHING ELSE I CAN DO, BUT GWEN, I'M COUNTING ON YOU NOT TO LET ME DOWN!

AS HE LEFT, I
REALIZED THAT I
DIDN'T EVEN
KNOW HIS NAME!
YET IT SEEMED
TERRIBLY
IMPORTANT
THAT I DO
SOMETHING
TO HELP HIM!
WHEN I
SPOKE TO
DAD, HE
PROMISED TO
SAY NOTHING
TO THE COACH
... UNDER-
STANDING
BETTER THAN
I, PERHAPS,
WHY THIS
BOY WAS SO
IMPORTANT
TO ME!



HE WAS STAN MIDDLETON -- ARMY'S ALL-AMERICAN QUARTERBACK!

SO YOU'RE THE BOY I'VE GOT TO KEEP QUIET ABOUT! WHY DID IT HAVE TO BE YOU? WHY NOT SOME FOURTH STRING TACKLE?

I'M SORRY, "DOC." I DIDN'T KNOW GWEN WAS YOUR DAUGHTER! I WOULDN'T HAVE SAID ANYTHING IF I HAD! YOU CAN TELL THE COACH ABOUT ME IF YOU WANT TO!



I KNOW WHAT THIS MEANS TO YOU STAN.. YOUR LAST NAVY GAME BEFORE GRADUATION! BUT FIRST, LET'S TAKE A LOOK AT THAT KNEE OF YOURS!

OKAY, "DOC." YOU'RE THE BOSS! WHATEVER YOU SAY GOES!

DAO AND I WORKED ON STAN'S KNEE FOR ALMOST AN HOUR AND THEN BOUND IT TIGHTLY! DAD ASKED STAN TO RETURN FOR FURTHER TREATMENT THE NEXT EVENING.. AND SAID HE'D SAY NOTHING ABOUT THE KNEE JUST YET! I WALKED STAN TO THE DOOR..



YOU AND "DOC." HAVE BEEN WONDERFUL, GWEN! EVEN IF I WON'T PLAY IN THE GAME, I'LL NEVER FORGET WHAT YOU'RE TRYING TO DO!

WE CAN ONLY HOPE THAT YOU MEND QUICKLY, STAN! AND TAKE IT EASY IN PRACTICE!



THANKS AGAIN, GWEN! GOODNIGHT!



THE FEEL OF HIS LIPS ON MINE WAS WARM AND EXCITING! I KNEW THAT I LOVED HIM.. BUT WAS IT POSSIBLE THAT HE MIGHT ONE DAY LOVE ME? I GOT MY ANSWER THE FOLLOWING EVENING ---

HI, GWEN! THIS IS PAULA PHILLIPS.. COLONEL PHILLIPS' DAUGHTER! SHE DROVE ME DOWN! SHE'S IN ON THE SECRET!

HELLO, MISS PHILLIPS! DAD'S GETTING YOUR WHIRLPOOL BATH READY, STAN!



GWEN IS "DOC." STODDARD'S DAUGHTER, HONEY! THEY'VE BEEN SWELL TO ME!

I HOPE THEY CAN FIX YOUR KNEE, DARLING! I KNOW FATHER WILL BE JUST FURIOUS IF WE LOSE TO NAVY THIS YEAR!



DIARY LOVES

HOLD ON, PAULA! THERE ARE TEN OTHER MEN ON THE TEAM! AND AT LEAST THREE THAT CAN TAKE OVER MY SPDT!

BUT YOU'RE THE STAR, DARLING! FATHER SAID JUST THE OTHER NIGHT THAT WITHOUT YOU, WE'VE GOT ONLY AN AVERAGE TEAM! DON'T YOU THINK SO, MISS STODDARD?

I HODDED A BLEAK AFFIRMATIVE, NOT REALLY CARING WHETHER THE TEAM WAS AVERAGE OR NOT... ONLY CARING ABOUT STAN.. BUT REALIZING UNHAPPILY THAT STAN'S HEART WAS ALREADY SPOKEN FOR! FINALLY THEY LEFT, AND I PREPARED FOR BED!

WHY SHOULDN'T HE LOVE HER? SHE'S BEAUTIFUL, INTELLIGENT... AND HER FATHER IS SECOND IN COMMAND HERE AT THE 'POINT'!



HIS KISS.. IT WAS JUST RELIEF IN KNOWING THAT DAD WOULD SAY NOTHING ABOUT HIS KNEE! ANYWAY.. WHAT CAN I OFFER HIM..? NOTHING BUT.. SOB! LOVE!

A WEEK PASSED, DURING WHICH STAN ARRIVED EACH NIGHT FOR HIS SECRET TREATMENTS.. ALWAYS ACCOMPANIED BY PAULA, WHO DROVE HIM TO OUR HOUSE! THEN, ONE NIGHT, WITH PAULA WAITING IN THE LIVING ROOM AND DAD IN THE KITCHEN, STAN ROSE TO HIS FEET WHEN I HAD FINISHED STRAPPING HIS KNEE!

STAN!



I'M OKAY GWEN. THE KNEE JUST SEEMED TO GIVE WAY FOR A SECOND.

YOU..YOU GAVE ME A SCARE!

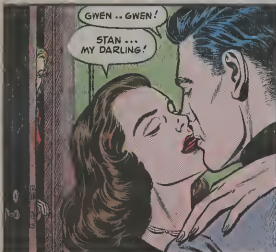


YOU REALLY ARE CONCERNED ABOUT ME..! I'M NOT JUST ANOTHER PATIENT?

I... YOU'RE NOT EXACTLY A PATIENT!

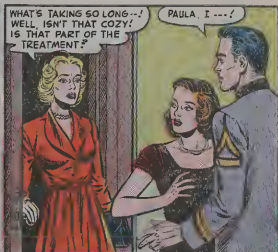


BEFORE I COULD SAY ANOTHER WORD, STAN HAD SWEEP ME INTO HIS ARMS AND PRESSED HIS LIPS TO MINE! BUT THIS WASN'T LIKE HIS FIRST KISS! THIS WAS THE ONE I HAD DREAMED ABOUT.. ONE I RETURNED WITH A FIERCE YEARNING THAT SET MY HEART TO BEATING WILDLY!



GWEN .. GWEN!

STAN ...
MY DARLING!



WHAT'S TAKING SO LONG...!
WELL, ISN'T THAT COZY!
IS THAT PART OF THE
TREATMENT?

PAULA, I ---!



I SUPPOSE
THIS GIVES YOU
A BIG LAUGH
MR. EX
FOOTBALL
STAR?

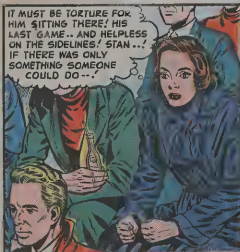
WHAT DO YOU
MEAN BY
THAT?

I COULDN'T **STAND**
TO SEE YOU PLAY
WITH A BAD KNEE!
I CONSIDER IT MY
DUTY TO TELL
THE COACH!

STAN ...
I'M
SORRY!

PAULA SLAM-
MED THE DOOR
FURIOUSLY! THE
RAPTUROUS
KISS OF A
MOMENT BE-
FORE WAS
FORGOTTEN
AS STAN
MOROSELY
CONCLUDED
THAT HE
WOULD MISS
HIS LAST GAME!
THEN HE LEFT..
WITHOUT
KISSING ME
GOODNIGHT! I
DIDN'T SEE
HIM AGAIN
UNTIL THE DAY
OF THE GAME
...TWO DAYS
LATER!

THERE HE IS -- SITTING
NEXT TO OAD! IF
ONLY HE CAN PLAY
.. EVEN FOR A
MINUTE OR
TWO!



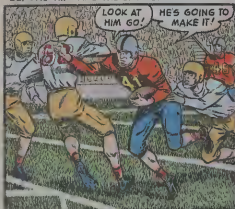
IT MUST BE TORTURE FOR
HIM SITTING THERE! HIS
LAST GAME.. AND HELPLESS
ON THE SIDELINES! STAN...!
IF THERE WAS ONLY
SOMETHING SOMEONE
COULD DO...

AS THE LAST
MINUTES OF
THE GAME
DREW NEAR
WITH THE
SCORE
DEAD-LOCKED,
STAN STILL SAT
HUNCHED OVER
ON THE BENCH!
THEN AS IF IN
ANSWER TO MY
PRAYERS, HE
WAS SENT IN!
ON THE THIRD
PLAY, THE BALL
WAS SNAPPED
TO HIM AND
HE BURST
THROUGH
THE
NAVY
LINE!

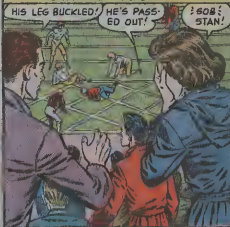


BE CAREFUL,
STAN --!

DISREGARDING THE TERRIBLE PAIN HE MUST HAVE FELT, STAN TWISTED HIS WAY THROUGH THE HAVY BACKFIELD! ONLY ONE MAN STOOD BEFORE HIM AND THE END-ZONE!



BUT AS STAN CROSSED THE GOAL LINE WITH THE WINNING TOUCHDOWN!



THEY CARRIED HIM OFF THE FIELD ON A STRETCHER! AND I FOUGHT MY WAY THROUGH THE WILDLY CHEERING CROWD... NEEDING DESPERATELY TO BE NEAR HIM... NOT KNOWING... NOT STOPPING TO THINK WHETHER HE WANTED ME OR NOT! THEN...

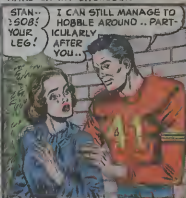
YOU WERE MARVELOUS, DARLING! I'LL BRING THE CAR AROUND! I'LL BE WAITING FOR YOU!



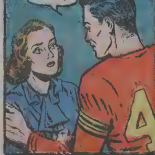
SOB! -- SHE'S GOT HIM --! I NEVER MEANT ANYTHING TO HIM!



AS INCONTROLLABLE SOBS TORE AT MY BODY, I DUCKED AROUND A CORNER, HOPING NO ONE WOULD NOTICE ME! SUDDENLY I FELT A HAND ON MY SHOULDER!



BUT... PAULA! SHE... MONEY... PAULA COLLECTS FOOTBALL HEROES! SHE PROBABLY THINKS THAT AS G.D. PHILLIPS DAUGHTER, SHE'S ENTITLED TO THEM! BUT I'M PROMISED TO SOMEONE ELSE!



WILL YOU HAVE ME, GWEN? YOUR DAD ALREADY GAVE US HIS BLESSING WHILE I WAS SITTING WITH HIM ON THE BENCH!



YOU'RE EVERYTHING I EVER HOPEO FOR, DARLING...



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**Clothes Look Unattractive
With Skinny Legs**

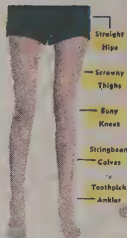
On skinny, shapeless legs, hose haven't any appeal. All dresses, suits look drab... even expensive shoes look too large and awkward. Thin legs make your entire appearance unattractive!



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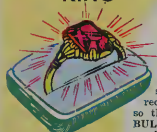
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